

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0005] as follows:

[0005] As appears from FIG. 1 the pole hedge cutter comprises a drive unit 11 which via a shaft tube 12 is connected to a cutting unit 13. The drive unit 11 can be of any type such as an internal combustion engine or an electric motor whose output shaft is connected to a drive shaft, not shown, that is placed within the shaft tube and that via a gear 14 is connected to the cutting unit. The shaft tube 12 has an inner handle 15 that is provided with throttle control means and additional control means for the drive unit and an outer handle 16. The cutting unit 13 is in a conventional manner provided with stationary, comb shaped knife protectors co-operating with corresponding knives 13a arranged to move forwards/backwards and being driven by the drive shaft via the gear 14. The cutting unit 13 is by means of a turnable connection 17 supported by the shaft tube 12 such that the cutting unit, within a limited angular area, can be turned upwards or downwards with respect to the tube and be locked in a suitable position for the cutting operation. It is also possible to fold the cutting unit backwards to a transport position in which cutting unit is mainly parallel to the shaft tube.

Please amend paragraph [0008] as follows:

[0008] The second gear housing part 25 and the handle 16 are firmly secured to one another and the tubular flange 26 has a ~~protrusion 28~~ protrusion 39 with a bore 29 extending perpendicularly to the axis direction of the shaft 23. The handle 16 is provided with a recess 30 that supports a guide element 31 for a screw 32 that is secured to a cap shaped element 33 sliding in the bore 29. A compression spring 34 surrounds the screw 32 and is clamped between the guide element 31 and the flap 35 of the cap shaped element 33. The flap 35 rests against a cam shaped plate 36 that is firmly secured to the first gear housing part 21 and the cap shaped element 33 can be brought to a position in

which its inner end of the element is in engagement with one of several recesses
37 arranged around the periphery of the gear wheel 24